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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

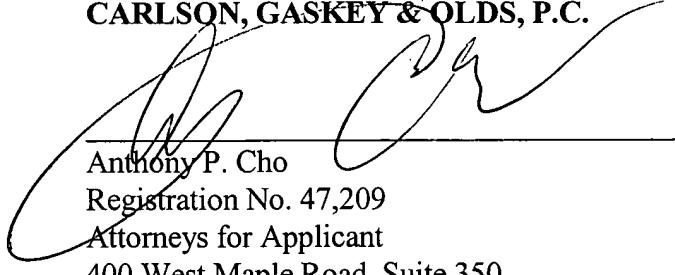
In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 dated March 6, 2002, Applicant is submitting herewith the Petition Under Rule 37 CFR 1.47(a) in addition to the required Declaration under 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) and the Declaration of the remaining joint inventors.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371, as requested, an executed Assignment and Recordation Cover Sheet.

A check in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed for the Petition Under Rule 37 CFR 1.47(a), as well as a check in the amount of \$40.00 for the assignment recordation fee. Applicant believes no additional fees are required. If any additional fees are due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482, in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds, P.C., for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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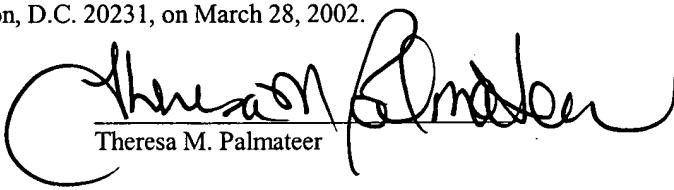
**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this Response to Notification of Missing Requirements and accompanying documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on March 28, 2002.

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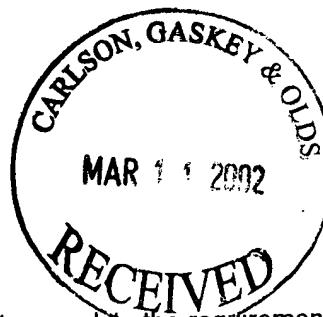
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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Oath or Declaration
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination



The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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